

New Holland celebrates 50th with champions

BY DEBBIE KOONTZ
NEW HOLLAND — It was double delight at the New Holland Farm Show this week as the show celebrated its golden anniversary and a young showman earned Grand Champion at the Beef Show — the first time he has ever attempted such a feat.

That young showman was Ernest Mast of Morgantown who simply described himself as "very surprised" when chosen champion. Ernest's steer was a Charolais/Hereford cross, weighing in at 1215 pounds and selling to the Leola Family Restaurant for \$3.39 per pound.

Reserve Champion honors and the Senior Showman title of the beef show went to Janae Martin, New Holland, a five-year veteran of both 4-H and FFA. Janae's steer was a Simmental/Angus cross weighing 1170 pounds and selling for \$1.28 per pound to The Bird-In-Hand Motor Inn and Restaurant.

Sale averages for the steer show were \$.96 per pound without the champion and \$1.06 with the champion.

Thursday's list of excitement also included the swine show which recognized such youngsters as Jimmy Martin, 14, of New Holland who earned the Grand Champion title and Laura Folker, 9, of Pork Chop Farm in New Holland, Reserve Champion.

Jimmy's 267-pound hog sold for \$3.40 to Hatfield and Laura's hog, Smokey, a Chester/Hampshire cross weighing in at 222 pounds — about three times the weight of its owner, sold for \$3.05, also to Hatfield.

The new Grand Champion of the Steer Show is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul D. Mast, owners and operators of a potato and a 100-head-beet farm. Ernest is a member of Garden Spot FFA.

Fifteen-year-old Janae Martin hails from New Holland and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Martin.

Janae reports that this year is her fifth year in FFA and 4-H — making this year "the 17th year my

family has been involved in 4-H."

The Martin family's operation includes chickens, 48 head of Holsteins, and 38 steers.

Champion hog owner Jimmy Martin is the son of Mary Martin and is in his seventh year of 4-H.

Last year was another big year for Jimmy in that he was named Grand Champion also — a proud accomplishment since he reports only one pen of hogs at home.

Laura Folker, Reserve Champion hog shower, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tony Folker and is currently in her third year of 4-H.

Laura also earned Champion Fitter of the Swine Show.

In addition to the traditional trophy and ribbon, these four young shower's will receive an 8 x 10 color picture of their champion animal.

Other results of the swine and steer show are as follows:

- STEER SHOW**
LIGHTWEIGHT
 1 Gary Eberly East Earl 2 Scott Bailey Blue Ball 3 Joanne Eberly East Earl 4 Emily Weaver Ephrata 5 Hope Hershey Kinzer
- MEDIUMWEIGHT**
 1 Janae Martin New Holland 2 Lisa Heft Adamstown 3 Bobby Snyder Ephrata 4 Fred Weaver Ephrata 5 Lori Martin Narvon
- HEAVYWEIGHT**
 1 Ernest Mast Morgantown 2 Krista Yost Lancaster 3 Jeff Hershey Kinzer 4 Kevin Lengel East Earl 5 Marcy Leaman Lancaster
- GRAND CHAMPION**
 Ernest Mast
- RESERVE CHAMPION**
 Janae Martin
- JR SHOWMAN**
 1 Emily Weaver 2 Fred Weaver 3 Krista Yost 4 Joanne Eberly 5 Donna Groff
- SR SHOWMAN**
 1 Janae Martin 2 Ron Martin 3 Kevin Lengel 4 Scott Bailey 5 Marlin Mast
- FITTING**
 1 James Martin 2 Scott Bailey 3 Fred Weaver 4 Ron Martin 5 Scott Hertzog
- SWINE SHOW**
LIGHTWEIGHT
 1 Chad Folker New Holland 2 Laura Folker New Holland 3 Jimmy Martin New Holland 4 Douglas Hertzog Ephrata 5 Emily Weaver Ephrata
- HEAVYWEIGHT**
 1 Jimmy Martin 2 Laura Folker 3 Fred Weaver Ephrata 4 Floyd Huber East Earl 5 Floyd Weaver
- GRAND CHAMPION**
 Jimmy Martin
- RESERVE CHAMPION**
 Laura Folker
- CHAMPION FITTER**
 Laura Folker
- RESERVE FITTER**
 Jimmy Martin
- SR SHOWMAN**
 David Fisher
- JR SHOWMAN**
 Heidi Fisher



In his first year of competition, Ernest, right, walked away with the Grand Champion title of the New Holland Steer Show. With him are buyers of the 1215-pound steer, the Leola Family Restaurant, represented by Christie Lapp, Wilmer Lapp and George Desmond.



This 1170-pound steer was shown by Janae Martin of New Holland and now belongs to buyers Walter Montgomery and Paul Smucker from the Bird-In-Hand Motor Inn and Restaurant.



Little Laura Folker holds a trophy half as big as she is, after selling her reserve champion hog to Hatfield, represented by Jerry Clemens.



Hatfield purchased this grand champion hog at the Swine Sale, Thursday, at the New Holland farm show. The hog weighed 267 pounds and sold for \$3.40 per pound. With Jimmy Martin, showman, is the buyer representing Hatfield, Jerry Clemens.

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